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Spring 2025 Highlights

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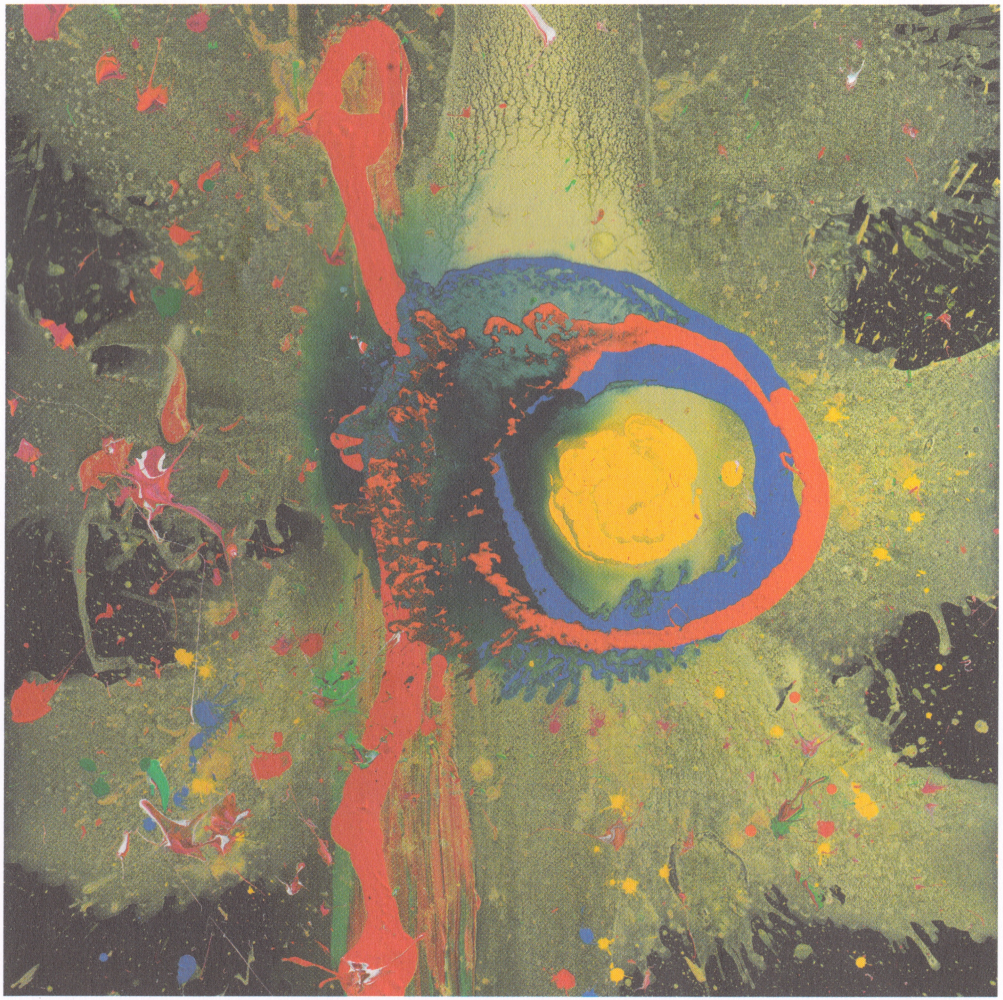

Welcome to Sheffield Museums

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Check out this season's highlights overleaf. Find full listings, opening times and info to help plan your visit at: sheffieldmuseums.org.uk

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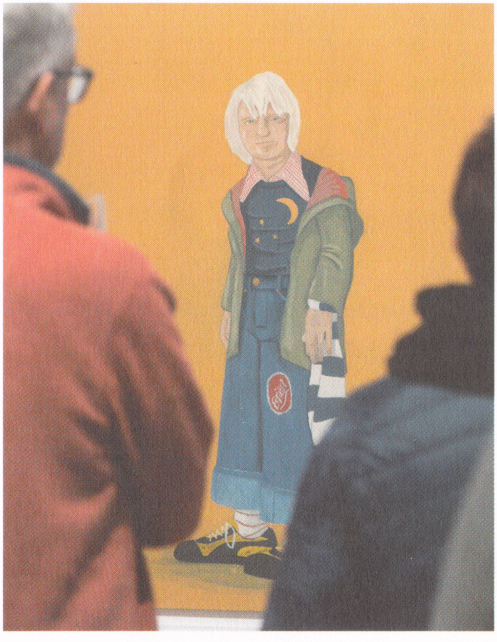

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ABBEYDALE INDUSTRIAL HAMLET

Step into the past and explore the industry that shaped Sheffield

Immerse yourself in life at home and at work at this picturesque rural scythe and steelworks established in the 1700s.

Reopens spring 2025
Abbeydale Road South, Sheffield, S7 2QW

GRAVES GALLERY

Discover great art in the heart of the city

Explore the Art Deco home of Sheffield's acclaimed visual art collection and a range of changing exhibitions.

Open Tue–Sat
Above the Central Library, Surrey Street, Sheffield, S1 1XZ

KELHAM ISLAND MUSEUM

Celebrating 300 years of Sheffield making history

Explore the story of making in the city, from master craftsmen to mass production, and see the mighty River Don Engine in action (runs Thu–Sun, 12 & 2pm, please check website).

Open Tue–Sun
Alma Street, Sheffield, S3 8RY

MILLENNIUM GALLERY

Bringing the best in art and design to Sheffield

See dazzling changing exhibitions alongside collection displays celebrating Sheffield's metalworking excellence and the visionary ideas of artist and writer, John Ruskin.

Open Tue–Sun
Arundel Gate, Sheffield, S1 2PP

SHEPHERD WHEEL WORKSHOP

See Sheffield's knife grinding history brought to life

Experience the working waterwheel and machinery in action in this historic water-powered workshop dating back more than five centuries.

Open Sat & Sun
Whiteley Woods, off Hangingwater Road, Sheffield, S11 2YE

WESTON PARK MUSEUM

Stories of Sheffield and its people, from prehistory to present day

Discover art, archaeological treasures and zoological wonders, meet visitor favorites like Spike the Woolly Rhino and explore the lives of Sheffield people across the centuries.

Open Tue–Sun
Western Bank, Sheffield, S10 2TP

Must-See: Pete McKee

Have you seen the Pete McKee exhibition yet? Join Pete as he takes you on a nostalgia-filled journey through his 1970s childhood featuring over 90 McKee creations.

The Boy with a Leg Named Brian: Memoirs by Pete McKee
Until 2 Nov 2025
Weston Park Museum
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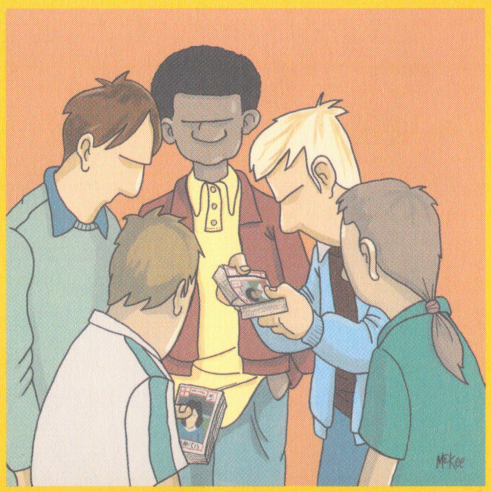

Pete McKee, Got, Got, Got © Pete McKee

Dig Deeper: Talks, Tours, Workshops and More

We've got a bumper line-up of events for you this spring. Get creative as our **Kelham Makes** series of hands-on workshops returns or put pencil to paper in our **Feel Good Art Club** mindful drawing sessions.

You can also dig deeper into themes in exhibitions and collections through our extensive programme of talks and tours.

Find info on these and all our upcoming events at sheffieldmuseums.org.uk/whats-on

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For full listings of exhibitions and events scan the QR code or visit sheffieldmuseums.org.uk/whats-on

School Holiday Fun, Sorted

There's plenty of free museums fun ready to keep your family entertained over the school holidays – drop in to our creative sessions across the museums during half term and the Sheffield Easter break, 12 – 3pm:

Tuesdays	**Weston Park Museum**
Wednesdays	**Millennium Gallery**
Thursdays	**Kelham Island Museum**
Saturdays	**Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet (Easter only)**

There's no need to book – please donate if you're able and help keep sessions free for everyone to enjoy.

There's also lots for your littlest ones all year round, including our popular Friday Under 5s sessions at Weston Park Museum – check out the website for more info.

John Hoyland, The King, 1994 © The John Hoyland Estate.

Celebrating John Hoyland

This spring, two new exhibitions at the Millennium Gallery celebrate the acclaimed Sheffield-born artist, John Hoyland (1934 – 2011).

Opening in January, *Strange Presence* showcases a selection of the bold, striking abstract paintings Hoyland is best known for.

Following in February, *These Mad Hybrids* presents Hoyland's rarely seen explorations of sculptural forms, alongside work by Caroline Achaintre, Phyllida Barlow, Hew Locke and more.

Strange Presence: John Hoyland Paintings

18 Jan – 18 May 2025
Millennium Gallery
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These Mad Hybrids: John Hoyland and Contemporary Sculpture

20 Feb – 18 May 2025
Millennium Gallery
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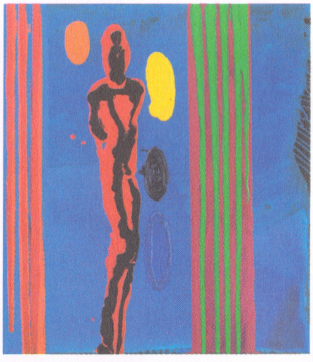

John Hoyland, River Tales, 1999
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New at the Graves Gallery

In spring 2025, we complete the final phase of our five-year programme of change and redisplay generously supported by The Ampersand Foundation.

You'll see a complete rehang of the *Identity* gallery and changes to the *Portraiture and the Human Figure* displays. Additions will include new commissions by Alison J Carr, Sara Choudhrey, James Clarkson, Simon Le Ruez and Otis Mensah.

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Ruskin Collection: Capturing Colour

Open now
Millennium Gallery
Free Entry | Please Donate

This new display considers how colour is made, how we see and understand it and what it can tell us about the natural world. Discover 50 examples from the Guild of St George's collection, including drawings, watercolours, manuscripts, textiles, decorative metalwork and more.

Frank Randal, Study of Stained Glass, 'St Mary Magdalene and Jesus', Bourges Cathedral, France, 1883 © Guild of St George / Sheffield Museums

Derrick Greaves: Art Worlds

25 Jan – 21 Jun 2025
Graves Gallery
Free Entry | Please Donate

Derrick Greaves (1927 – 2022) grew up in Sheffield and his early experiences here influenced the development of his painting. This new exhibition is the first retrospective of his work since his death, bringing together over 20 works from a career spanning eight decades.

Derrick Greaves, Towards a Walled Garden 2, 2021 © The Estate of Derrick Greaves, courtesy James Hyman Gallery, London

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A wedding, ceremony or reception in one of our spaces is one you're guaranteed to cherish.

Celebrate with your nearest and dearest in one of our three licensed spaces: at Kelham Island Museum, steeped in Sheffield history; at the Millennium Gallery, a contemporary cultural landmark; or in Weston Park Museum, surrounded by artists' views of the city.

For more information and to book your show around, visit sheffieldmuseums.org.uk/weddings or email hospitality@sheffieldmuseums.org.uk

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